GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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PRODUCTION OF NAPHTHA BY REFINERIES
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to sell the Naphtha produced by refineries of country to some promoters;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the names of ancilliary industries set up to produce and make use of the Naphtha?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (c): Naphtha is a decontrolled product with effect from 1.4.1998. Government have issued guidelines for allocation of naphtha by oil companies for consumers in different categories viz. Fertilizers, Petrochemical Units and other sectors like steel, textiles, glass etc. other than power. Government allocates Naphtha for power generation as per the extant guidelines on recommendation of Ministry of Power.